

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q92435

Shigeto UCHIYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/562,687

Confirmation No.: 3798

Group Art Unit: 1651

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Examiner: Irene MARX

For: EQUOL-PRODUCING LACTIC ACID BACTERIA-CONTAINING COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. A Petition and payment for a three month extension of time are being filed herewith, making this Amendment due on or before June 18, 2010. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently, also.

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